GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Rhino Safaris
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of rhino safaris conducted in the country, State/UT-wise;
(b) the number of rhinos killed by human beings during each of the last three years and vice versa;
(c) the amount allocated/sanctioned and utilized for conservation of rhinos during each of the last three years; and
(d) the details of protected areas for rhino habitat, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

(SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE)

(a)As informed by Central Zoo Authority, there is no zoo in the country recognized as 'Rhino Safari'.

(b)Number of rhinos killed by human beings during the last three years and vice versa is given in the Annexure.

(c)&(d) Rhinos are found in the State forests of Assam, West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh. Details of Protected Areas dedicated for conservation of rhinos are given below:

S.No.	Name of States	Name of Protected Area	Area (in sqkm)
1	Assam	Kaziranaga National Park (Tiger Reserve)	850.67
		Rajiv Gandhi Orang National Park (Tiger Reserve)	78.81
		Manas National Park (Tiger Reserve)	500.00
		Pobitara Wildlife Sanctuary	38.81
		Burachapori Wildlife Sanctuary	44.06
2	West Bengal	Jaldapara National Park	216.51
		Gorumara National Park	79.45
3	Uttar Pradesh	Dudhwa National Park(Tiger Reserve)	490.00

Details of fund released to rhino habitats under various Centrally Sponsored Scheme during last three years are as follows:
(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Name of National Parks/Sanctuary	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
1	Kaziranaga Tiger Reserve	708.906	1136.656	1025.131
2	Orang National Park	15.52	21.00	75.6795
3	Manas Tiger Reserve	99.0765	328.199	259.86
4	Pobitara Wildlife Sanctuary	15.35	15.67	-
	Burachapori Wildlife Sanctuary	Nil	Nil	Nil
5	Jaldapara National Park	29.995	24.64	13.64
6	Gorumara National Park	30.56	16.54	19.09
7	Dudhwa National Park	525.876	484.4133	500.0883

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